

*Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the  
County of Monterey, State of California*

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt a resolution commemorating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Monterey Peninsula Community College District

**WHEREAS**, 75 years ago, in September of 1947, Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) commenced its operation on the campus of Monterey High School; and

**WHEREAS**, by September of 1948, MPC enrolled 280 students and employed 20 faculty members, and began holding classes on the Monterey campus at 980 Fremont Street; and

**WHEREAS**, MPC's need to accommodate its growing student population became evident by 1957 when its enrollment approached 1,000 students, which led to the construction of its engineering building in 1958, the library in 1960, and the Art and Music Center and swimming pool in 1962; and

**WHEREAS**, MPC continued its expansion in 1965, when new buildings for business, humanities, life sciences, physical education, physical sciences, and social sciences were constructed, as were the Lecture Forum, the College Theater, and the Student Center; and

**WHEREAS**, from 1971 to 1993, in cooperation with the U.S. Army, MPC operated an education center at Fort Ord, the former U.S. military base located in Northern Monterey County until its closure in 1994, benefiting the communities in the north side of MPC's service area, including armed forces personnel and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1982-83, MPC and Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula entered into a partnership from which the Maurine Church Coburn School of Nursing was born, resulting in a generation of nurses who have cared for and taken care of countless members of MPC's surrounding communities; and

**WHEREAS**, MPC continued to strive to meet the educational needs of its surrounding communities with the construction of its Library and Technology Center in 2003 and the Child Development Center in 2007, the development of the Public Safety Training Center in 2009; and the construction of the Education Center at Marina in 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, MPC has hosted notable figures throughout its history, including James Baldwin, Joan Baez, William F. Buckley, Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, Aldous Huxley, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr. Margaret Mead, Joyce Carol Oates, Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, Rosa Parks, Ronald Reagan, Eleanor Roosevelt, Pierre Salinger, Carl Sandburg, and Carlos Santana; and

**WHEREAS**, since its humble beginnings in 1947, MPC has established itself as essential to the educational and cultural development of the Monterey Peninsula and has improved the lives of innumerable students, and by extension their families and its communities; and

**WHEREAS**, as MPC approaches its 75th year, it now offers exceptional educational opportunities at its campus in Monterey, its Education Center at Marina, its Public Safety Training Center in Seaside, its partner high schools, and online, as well as comprehensive supportive resources and specialized programs dedicated to ensuring its students have the tools they need to succeed; and

**WHEREAS**, MPC will celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout the 2022-23 Academic Year to commemorate this important milestone and to increase awareness of MPC's positive impact on its surrounding communities and the wealth of educational, professional, and personal enrichment.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, honors Monterey Peninsula Community College District on celebrating its steadfast, 75 year-long commitment to transforming lives through education and further wishes its continued success in all of its future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valeria Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy